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Charge delivered reftel points to the Slovak MFA's Director General for UN Affairs, Ambassador Maria Krasnohorska, on November 3. Charge thanked Krasnohorska for Slovakia's helpful stance at the UNHRC in Geneva on the Goldstone Report. Krasnohorska reiterated that Slovakia prefers the action on the Goldstone report be deferred until March 2010 in Geneva, and never supported a discussion at the UNGA in New York. Krasnohorska added that the Slovak MFA has seen the text of the Arab group's proposed resolution, finds it 'absolutely unacceptable,' and has instructed the Slovak Mission in New York to vote against it. Krasnohorska lamented the lack of an EU consensus position.

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